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300 all wool Cassimere and
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Car company beld at Burlington, Ia., contracts providing the operation of Pullman sleeping-cars and Pullman diring cars for the cext three years were approved and signed. The contracts are for all lines of the Burlington system, and are for the years the Burlington system, and are for the years 1898, 1899 and 1990. The Pullman company a bond and agree to keep all paper in their 1898, 1899 and 1990. The Pullman company a bond and agree to keep all paper in their 1898, 1899 and 1990. was represented at the conference by President Lincoln an Wice President and General Manager Wickes. The Burlington was represented by President Perkins, General Solicitor Blythe, General Manager Brown and

ing all the grain that will move during the Dividend on Lake Erie & Western NEW YORK, Jan. 14 .- The directors of the Lake Erie & Western railroad have dec'a ed early part of next March. Judge Munger & Gulf road is contracting to carry corn to the the regular quarterly dividend of 114 per called the law docket yesterday and dis-

> Railway Notes and Personnis.
> Assistant General Passenger Agent Ferguson and General Agent Kuhn of the Northwestern have returned to Omeha after a

P. J. Tapp, commercial agent, and William Flannelly, traveling passenger agent, Louisville, Evansville & St. Louis Consoli-dated rellroad, are in the city.

President Horace G. Burt of the Union Pacific has expressed a wish that the testimonial banquet being planned in his honor by the Omaha Commercial club be abandoned.

cennes, Ind.

corn from the Missouri river points to be 124 at Hot Springs, was a caller at Eikhorn bead-cents to the Mississippi river and 174 cents quarters yesterday. He is working hard from there to the Atlantic seaboard, but it a the establishment of a national soldiers' home

Boston and from Boston to Chicigo have been cut from \$2 to \$1.50. The rates from Omaha to New York, Boston and Buffalo have been made \$2.50, the same as the rate to Cleve-

85.00 BOYS' SUIT FOR \$2.50.

87 BOYS' LONG PANT SUITS, \$3.50

140 boys' cassimere and che-\$550 viot all wool suits, ages 12 to 19, regular \$7.00 suits, go at

BOYS' \$10 LONG PANT SUITS, 85. Your choice today of 300

\$12 BOYS' ULSTERS AT \$5.00. Your choice loday of the finest boys' and young men's ulsters and overcoats in our house, in ages 12 to 20, sold

\$5.00 BOYS' CAPE OVERCOATS, \$1.50.

All odd sizes and broken lots of boys' cape overcoats in ages 3, 4 and 5 years, go at..

Boys' 50c Knee Pants 25c

BOYS' REEFERS

to 19, regular \$7.00 suits, go at

as high as \$12,00, to lay at

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Worth \$7.00

Worth \$10.00

west would be laughed to scorn in reliway 1, 1900, no reliroad in the association would and elevator circles and would be immediately set down by the knowing ones as a veritable tyre. According to published tariffs the southern lines have a big advantage over Louis. The paper adopted is furnished in the paper when written on again. Every safeguard has been adopted to prevent the counterfelting of the tickets printed en this possession in a place of safety; also to account for all sheets which may be spoiled. PEDERAL COURT SPECIAL TERM.

Judge Munger Decides on an Extra Sitting for Omaha in March. A special term of the federal court will

be held in this city, commencing in the

gulf at the 12 cent rate has been denied by cent on the preferred stock, payable Febru- covered that there would be enough cases ready for trial to warrant the calling of a The exact date cannot be fixed as it will depend upon the length of the coming term at Lincoln, but it will probably begin term at Lincoln, but it will probably bearin either in the first or the second week in March. The majority of cases which will be tried then, as indicated by the call of the docket, will be personal inquiry cases. Among the others will be the case of the Modern Woodmen of America against the Union National bank of this city, which was put over the term a few days ago.

The special term is the result of a desire on Judge Munger's part to clear up the docket, which became heavily encumbered during the long illness of the late Judge Dundy. Judge Munger hopes to be able to catch up in this Munger hopes to be able to catch up in this

Mink, vice president of the Union Pacific railroad, will leave this evening for New York.
It is understood that they will there attend the first meeting of the directory of the reorganized railroad.

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B. I. Shontze commercial agent of the Port leave the number of holding a tourna. position. The duties of that effice will hereafter be attended to by Assistant General
Frieght Agent Blakeslee. U. N. Hume has
been appointed city ticket agent at Quincy,
III.
Colonel E. E. Clough, chairman of the board
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Corporations Object to the Assessment
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Men's and Boys'

At One-Half Price

All our \$3.00 fine, stiff hats, in black and brown, go at ..... \$1.50 All our regular \$2.00 meh's stiff hats, Your choice today of any boy's wool suits, ages 4 to 14, that have been selling at \$3, Federa hats, go at ........ 750 All our \$2.00 Fedoras ..... 980 All our \$3.00 Fedora hats go at...... \$1.50 All our new, staple and railroad shape hats in black, brown and gray, worth \$2 and \$3, go at 98c and ..... \$1.50 All our finest fur caps, in all shapes, go in three lots: 2.00 fur caps ...... \$2.50 fur caps ...... \$1.25 All the finest silk plush and silk lined

cloth caps, worth \$1.00 to \$1.50, go in two All the heavy, warm astrakhan, cheviot nd corduroy winter caps, that were 50c and 5c, go at 25c and 35c. All odd lots and broken sizes in heavy winter caps go in two lots at 5c and 15c.

# At One-Half Price

ribbed and cotton fleeced underwear. . 25 Our 75c men's heavy wool, natural gray and camel's hair underwear, at .... 371/20 Our men's \$1.00 all wool underwear.... 50c Our men's \$1.25 and \$1.50 all wool ribbed, plain and fancy striped underwear ...... 621/20

# At less than ½ Price At One Malf Price

Our men's 50c unlaundered shirts. Your choice of all our men's white laundered shirts and white taundered shirts with colored besoms and fancy colored laundered shiets, go at .....



That is why we have made such immense reductions in the prices of

Ladies' and Ohildren's Jackets, Capes, Furs and Tailor Made Suits.

as shown in our large window and outlined in the following items:

\$15.00 Ladies' Silk Lined Jackets \$4 98 Ladies' fine silky curl Boucle Jackets with cloth straps, silk lined all through, our price heretotore has been \$15, to close them out they go at

An Excellent \$8.00 Jacket at \$3.50 Ladies' fine English Kersey braided shield front and turn over storm collar Jackets, all sizes, at, .....

Beautiful \$15.00 and \$18.00 Jackets \$7.50 An assorted lot of ladies' fine Mode Jackets in superior finish English Kersey and lined with two toned or fancy taffeta silk, made in the tront reefer style,

Our Regular \$25.00 Jackets at \$10.00 \$200 to choose from in Ladies' Blouse Jackets, ets, satin duchesse lined throughout, Ladies' Velour Jackets, trimmed with real marten and braid, Ladies' Box Coats, tan, black, green and days; none of these have ever been offered at less than \$25.00; in this sale \$10.00.

Misses' Jackets

Misses' Jackets in a spendid assortment of styles and material, in boucle and smooth goods, many of them silk lined throughout, marked down ....

Children's and Misses' Jackets

that were \$5.00 now.....



our \$25.00 Pat-tern Hats at Choice of any of tern Hats at.

Choice Trimmed 250

sold at \$10.00, at Worth \$10.00

Choice of our \$5.00 \$50 Hats ..... Worth \$5.00

In order to close out all of our Untrimmed Hats, we give you the choice of our 50c Felt Hats at ... With 50c

Our \$1.00 Hats, all shapes, ladies' and

children's, at... Worth \$1.00 Our \$2.50 Hats-all

Worth \$25 shapes—to close them out.....

> \$15.00 All of our Cow Boy Hats-leather trim-

\$1.98 med, that have heretofo e med, sold at \$1.00, go at.

Boys' \$1.00 Knee Pants 50c Worth \$5.00 CORN RATES TO TIDE WATER

> Estimate of Receipts and Expenses Cmaha chools.

SCHOOL BOARD ON ITS PRESSING WANTS

President Jordan and Superintend

ent Pearse Point Out the Necessity for Raising a Large Sum of Money.

These latter officials assert that if this is done the only result can be a material addition to the already burdensome deficiency or closing up the schools at the end of the first seven or eight months. President Jordan of

to meet the running expenses of the schools. establish the sinking fund and pay off a part of the deficit. The running expenses of the schools as now constituted amount to about \$400,000 a year. President Jordan cays this amount can scarcely be reduced without loss of efficiency in view of the large increase of pupils which is likely to continue for several months ahead. His information is that the revenue from saloon licen es will not exceed \$250,000. He thinks that \$30,000 is a liberal

Western and southern lines are voting on a proposition to put in a rate of 1 cent a mile to New Orleans and return co account of the Mardi Gras festival there Februsry 22. This was the rate made for that occasion last year. Colonel Henry Isman, author of "The Santa Fe Trait," was a caller at Union Pacific head.

Which Sections late late Judge Dundy. Judge long illness of the long in this evitably run behind. He contends that it will be long in the set late Judge Dundy. Judge long illness of the late Judge Dundy. Judge long illness of the late Judge Dundy Judge long illness of the late Judge Dundy Judge long in the long in this case late Judge Dundy Judge long in the long in the long in the set late Judge Dundy Judge long in the Yesterday was the last only here and during the afternoon court adjourned last report shows an increase of 1.100 pupils and during the next few months is likely skie die. AATIONAL FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT.

President Wood of the Iowa Association Makes a Suggestion.

Fire Chief Redell has a letter from Fred A. Wood, president of the Iowa State Firemen's association, Cedar Rapids, ia.

Firemen's association, Cedar Rapids, ia.

Redeling his support toward holding a possibility of the control of the law of the asking his support toward holding a board will require \$70,000, in addition to what

valuation. The company is satisfied with the

\$140,000. Its officials offer to accept a valua-tion of \$150,000 on the personal property. which would make the assessment \$50,000, a reduction of \$45,000. Tax Commissioner Sackett says that under the new law the property of a concern may be taxed according to its earning capacity, and that the assessors are not bound by the

the value of its property.

Contractors Make Their Offers Board of Public Works. After the permanent sidewalk contracts for 1898 have been awarded there will be little excuse for the construction of the unstable and illusive wooden affairs that continue to disfigure the suburban atreets of the city. During this year at least property owners can bave brick walks at a cost that is very little in excess of that of wooden walks and from now on the most rigid measures will be un-dertaken by the Board of Public Works to prevent the use of wood as a sidewalk mate

The bids on the various kinds of permanent walks were opened by the board yesterday afternoon. While no contracts were let it is announced that they will go to the lowest bidders. These are W. C. Morris on artificial store at 14.73 cents per equare foot and G. R. Crendall on brick at 7.4 cents. Other bidders were as follows: Artificial stone, Grant Pay-ing company, 15 cents; Councily & Shaw, 14.8 cents; J. M. McGowan, 15.5 cents and 14.8 cents; J. M. McGowan, 15.5 cents and in the Kansas City case, which is now occid-ford & Huse, 16 cents. On brick, W. P. ing in that court. The latter case was very Mumaugh, 7.5 cents; McGowan, 8.25 cents similar to the South Omaha case. It was

fifth street from Cum'eg to Indiana avenue. Tweaty-sixth avenue from Half Howard street to St. Mary's avenue, and Patrick avenue from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-seventh streets and repaying Wirt street from Sherman avenue to Twenty-fourth street and Dodge street from Sixteenth to Seventeenth streete.

case with a uniform bid of \$1.76 on No. 1, \$1.67 oc No. 2 and \$1.37 on No. 3. The bid of the Barber company on No. 3 was \$2.15, Hugh Murphy, \$1.48. Grant Paving company. \$1.40. On brick the Des Moines Brick com

was low on curbing at 53 cents.

through the city asking the city council to franchise, \$95,000 for its personal property call a special election to submit the question and \$14,000 for its real estate on a one-third whether the desired franchise shall be granted. Under the new charter the company valuation of the franchise and real estate, will be required to put up the expense of the but contends that the personal property, intures is obtained the election will probably be called. Members of the council state em-phatically, however, that from now on no franchises will be granted except those whi nclude a provision for a substantial royalty CCMPROMISE OFFERED THE COUNTY for the city.

Applications for License.

No new apolications for saloon licenses have been filed during the last few days and the total number of applications still remains 228, Of these only eighty-two have been granted and the remaining fees are held in the sus pense account pending the action of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners. Mean-while the Board of Education is paying \$39 a day in interest on the warrants which the money in the suspense account would redeem if the licenses were granted.

Mortality Statistics. The following births and deaths were reported at the health office during the twentyfour hours ending at noon yesterday:
Births—Fred S. McFarland, 2409 Hamilton
street, girl; Rasten Anderson, 2310 Elm, girl;
Schuyler Smith, 708 South Sixteenth, girl; Henry Snethen, 1820 South Nineteenth, girl Deaths-Henry Bieser, 50, 1577 Cuming, Prospect Hill.

POSTPONES TAKING TESTIMONY. Case Against the Live Stock Ex-

change Goes Over Ten Days. Stock exchange, which was begun before Examiner in Chancery Battin Thursday after-moon, has been continued until a week from meeting for the purpose of reaching some next Monday. This was the decision reached by the attorneys on both sides after a con-

The action was taken in the hope that by the time set the supreme court of the United States will be ready to render some decision tried before the circuit court of the United States and a decision was rendered, deciaring the exchange unconstitutional. cision was a pealed to the supreme court. The latter body is expected to ronder the final decision in sixty days at the most. The postponement of ten days in the South Omaka case was taken for the purpose of allowing the attorney general of the United States to consider the advisability of await ng the decision in the Kansas City case be fore the prosecution against the South Omaha exchange is begun.

United States District Attorney Sawyer had expected to go on again with the introduction of testimony and had subposped some of his witnesses, but they were excused after the postponement was determined upon.

Locate Stolen Goods.

The detectives by means of a search war-rant located yesterday a quantity of

BELT LINE'S DELINQUENT TAX

Chance to Settle a Matter That Involve Some Money.

Conference Between the Commissions ers and the Company Over the Disputed Points Leads to a Proposition.

The members of the Board of County Commissioners met as a committee of the whole yesterday and were in executive session a greater portion of the forenoon considering the assessment question relating to the Belt Line Rollway company. The tax commissioner of the Missouri Pacific Railway company met with the commissioners and gave

his views upon the matters under considera-For years the county commissioners have considered the Belt Line Rallway company a local corporation and have assessed it accordingly, placing the valuation of the track at some \$9,000 per mile. The state board has considered it a part of the Missouri Pacific system and has essessed it at \$5,050 per mile. The taking of testimony in the case of the On the latter valuation the company has paid United States against the South Omaha Live a tax. Some time ago the tax commissioner of the Missouri Pacific communicated with

conclusion relative to the disputed question.
As a result of the communication the meeting was called for today and the deliberations were had.
The tax commissioner for the Missouri Pacific not only contends that the Belt line is a part of the general system but goes beyond this and urges that the road begins in Douglas county and passes into Sarpy county, returning into Doug-las county. This being so, he urges that it is a matter with which the county commissioners have nothing to do. On the other hand, the county commissioners hold that the road begins and ends in Douglas county, and that, therefore, it comes under the control of the county commissioners for assessment purposes, and is a thing over which the state board has no jurisdiction.

During the last seven or eight years the Belt Line has paid the tax levied by the state board, but has ignored the levy made by the county commissioners. This morning by the county commissioners. The the tax commissioner was disposed to meet the tax commissioners half way. He prothe county commissioners half way. He proposed a compromise and said that if it granted, the company would pay its tax to the county, instead of to the state treas-

Upon the convening of the, board in the afternoon, the tax commissioner for the road expressed his willingness to have the county make the assessment, fixing the same value as that of the state heard. The commissioners did not feel like entering into an agreement and consequently postproed action until next Tuesday in order to consult with the

During the afternoon the question of courty employes and the annual adjustment of sal aries was taken up, but not completed. The several county officials were called before the board and questioned concerning the help that would be required in their respective offices during the ensuing year. It is likely but the help and the salary question will be adjusted at an open meeting that will be

No use to deny the fact that Salvation Oll is fast taking the place of all other imiments

conference on the situation. The report that the Kans 3 City, Pittabucg President Stillwell and by Chairman Midge- ary 15. ley of the freight traffic association to which that road belongs. Since the decial the Chicago capers that started the report that the Pittsburg & Gulf road is eacrying corn to the gulf for 12 cents have said that the coad is doing it surreptitiously, but not openly. It is the general opinion among the freight men e that no such rate has been put in. sistant General Freight Agent Entrekin, who is located bore, says he has not received any information of a cut in corn or other grain

tricting for all the grain in the west and are

anxious to complete negotiations for carry-

next two months before they go into any

The whole controversy, however, has succeeded in advertising the southern outlet for grain and has emphasized the fact that grain can be carried to the gulf cheaper than it can be carried to the Atlantic scaboard. The officials of the east and west lines do the carried to the Atlant.

The officials of the east and west lines do not deny the cheaper rates offered by the north and south lines, but content themselves with maintaining the inadequacy of the southern terminals, elevators and steamship lines to prove the superiority of the east ship lines to prove the superior and west lines. Despite the assurance of the freight men of the lowa lines that their lines will continue to get the bulk of the grain business at the rates now in effect, there is a general feeling that the rates from the Missouri river to the Mississippi river may be reduced.

may be reduced. TARIFFS AND TARIFFS. On January 1 the lines east of the Mississippi river, which carry the grain and other western shipments through to the Atlantic scaboard, cut their rate on corn from 22 cents to 17½ cents. The rate from the Missouri river to the Mississippi river was not correspondingly reduced, but was maintained at 12½ cents, making the through rate on corn from Omeha to New York 20 cents.

from Omeha to New York 30 cents.

With the rate from here to the Atlantic scaboard 30 cents and the rate on corn from here to the Gulf of Mexico but little more than half that there would be a natural change in the movement of corn from east to south were it not for one thing. The pub-lished tariffs show the ostbound rates on takes neither a prophet nor the son of a the establishment of a prophet in railway circles to learn that these at Hot Springs, S. D.

missouri territory, is shipped not by the farmers who grow the grain, but by the representatives of the great grain and elevaor companies. The contracts for the transfor companies. The contracts for the trans-portation of the grain are invariably made by the representatives of these companies and not by the farmers. He was would sug-gest that these companies pay the full tariff and not by the farmers. He who would suggest that these companies pay the full tariffer the to the railroads for the movement of corn and other grain cut of this part of the west would be laughed to scorn in railway. RAILROAD MEN ON A MX D SITUATION

Burlington Sleeping Car Service. At a recent conference of officials of the There was to have been a meeting of the freight traffic officials of western lines this week to discuss the grain rate situation and take some action on the much disturbed rates, but the meeting has been postponed until Wednesday of next week, January 19. It is alleged by some freight men that the reason for the postponement of the meeting is that the freight officials of the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf railroad are busy con.

Treasurer Peasley.

singer agent of the Baltimore & Ohio South-western, is in the city on his bettal trip. He has been appointed successor to George Taylor, who has been transferred to Van-

FIVE MILLS THE LEAST LEVY

The proposition of members of the city council to reduce the proposed school levy to 2 mills is regarded with undisguised disfavor by members of the Board of Education.

the Board of Education says the board will ertainly insist on the full amount of \$150,-000. This will be the least that will answer

but contends that the personal property, in-cluding freight charges, did not cost over

actual cost. He holds, for instance, that the property of the electric light company is worth much more than it would be if there was another company in the field offer-ing to sell light at half the rates which the present company is receiving. The board has not acted on the matter yet, but several of the councilmen are in favor of making some reduction in the valuation. The gas

ompany is also fighting its assessment, but has not made a detailed showing of

LOW BIDS ON PERMANENT WALKS

and Ford & Huse, 8.5 cents.

Bids were also received on paving Twenty-

On the new gaving, class B. J. B. Smith was the lowest bidder on asphalt in each

pally was low at \$1.44.

On the repaying, class C. Smith was low on Wirt street at \$1.38 and Murphy on Dodge street at \$1.30. The Great Paying company

New Telephone Company Active.

John Quinn and C. Alpin were arrested by Special Officer Lake while stealing coal field this morning.

an unsuccessful effort to secure a franchise from cars of the Burlington company, near rates are not maintained. The great bulk of the Corn out of Nebraska. as practically all the grain out of the trans-